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WE CLAIM:

1. A reporting system having a transcriber which operates on coded representations of spoken words and having cross-reference and phoneme libraries comprising:

cross-reference means using a cross-reference library for identifying associations between coded representations of spoken words and corresponding alphabetic and numeric text;

phoneme means using a phoneme library for associating representations of spoken words with pronounceable text; and said phoneme means operable on representations of spoken words for which said cross-reference means cannot identify associations.

- 2. The reporting system of claim a further comprising pronunciation index means operable on representations of spoken words for which said phoneme means and said cross-reference means cannot identify associations.
- 3. The reporting system of claim 1 further comprising phoneme library means responsive to said phoneme means for identifying associations between code representations of spoken words and corresponding alphabetical and numeric text.
- 4. The reporting system of claim 1 wherein said transcriber operates on associations identified to provide foreign language

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translation.

- 5. The reporting system of claim 1 further comprising:

 a foreign language table; and

 said transcriber operates on associations identified to

 provide translations of the identified associations by

 referencing said foreign language table.
 - 6. A transcription system which operates on coded representations of spoken words comprising:
 - a local cross-reference library which is stored in a local database;
 - a common cross-reference library which is stored in a remote database; and

comparison means for updating the common and local crossreference libraries.

7. The transcription system used by a court reporter according to claim 6 further comprising:

means for training the court reporter; and

means for providing an interactive updating of the crossreference libraries.

- 8. A transcription system comprising:
 - a cross-reference library;
 - a case database containing words relating to a specific

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means for automatically comparing the cross-reference library with the case database; and

means responsive to the means for automatically comparing for updating the cross-reference library.

- 9. The transcription system according to claim 8 wherein the case database further comprises a case evidence database.
- 10. The transcription system according to claim 8 wherein the case database further comprises a case law database.